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## U.S. States are World Energy Leaders

Dear Nikki,

Oil and natural gas production in several American states now puts them ahead of some of the top energy-producing nations in the world. It's an [eye-opening perspective <http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/db27aac05b>](http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/db27aac05b) on America's global energy leadership:

- If Texas were a nation, it would be the No. 3 dry natural gas producer in the world – ahead of Iran, China and Saudi Arabia.
- Eight individual states now each produce over 3 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day, which would rank them among the world's top 30 producing countries -- exceeding nations like Venezuela and Oman.
- Texas and North Dakota rank among the top 20 nations in the world in oil production.
- Alaska, California, New Mexico, and Oklahoma rank among the top 35 in oil production.

Innovations in hydraulic fracturing  [<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/4c8aa095b4>](http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/4c8aa095b4) and horizontal drilling have ushered in a new era in American energy security, and the benefits are everywhere: millions of jobs, a manufacturing renaissance, carbon emissions near 20-year lows due to clean-burning natural gas, and savings of an average \$750 on gasoline prices  [<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/d50cbf6ea0>](http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/d50cbf6ea0) this year for American households.

With the right policies, we can do even more. To achieve America's full potential as a global energy leader, policymakers must remove outdated restrictions on crude oil exports  [<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/000bf784b9>](http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/000bf784b9), lift regulatory barriers on the construction of vital energy infrastructure  [<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/f11c4b4192>](http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/f11c4b4192), open more areas to responsible energy exploration  [<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/5fb40d03fa>](http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/5fb40d03fa), and take a commonsense, [science-based <http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/252e2b3458>](http://cts.vresp.com/c/?JackGerardAPI/105986cb15/2505242c36/252e2b3458) approach to regulation.

Maintaining our status as a world energy leader is vital to our economy and energy security.

Sincerely,

Jack Gerard  
President and CEO  
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